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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1393A
Daiju YUKI et al. : Confirmation No. 8731
Serial No. 10/590,735 : Group Art Unit 1651
Filed August 25, 2006 : Examiner Irene Marx
METHOD AND AGENT FOR CONTROLLING : Mail Stop: AMENDMENT
PLANT DISEASE USING BACTERIA OF
GENUS BACILLUS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 18, 2009,
Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, claims 6-8.

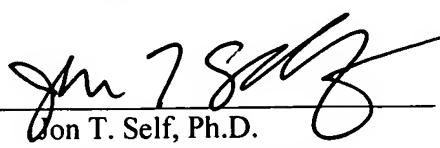
Applicants express sincere thanks for the phone interview of December 8, 2009, and the
interview summary sent by the Examiner on December 12, 2009. In the interview, it was agreed that
Group II should properly be directed to claims 6-8 and that no claim 19 is present.

In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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